104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H.R. 1743

To amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to extend the authorizations of appropriations through fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 6, 1995

Mr. Doolittle introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**
- 4 Section 102 of the Water Resources Research Act of
- 5 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10301) is amended—
- 6 (1) in paragraph (2), by inserting ", productiv-
- 7 ity of natural resources and agricultural systems,"
- 8 after "environmental quality"; and
- 9 (2) by striking out "and" at the end of para-
- 10 graph (6);

| 1 | (3) by striking out the period at the end of |
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| 2 | paragraph (7) and inserting "; and; and |
| 3 | (4) by adding at the end the following: |
| 4 | "(8) long-term planning and policy development |
| 5 | are essential to assuring the availability of an abun- |
| 6 | dant supply of high quality water for domestic and |
| 7 | other uses; and |
| 8 | "(9) the States must have the research and |
| 9 | problem-solving capacity necessary to effectively |
| 10 | manage their water resources.". |
| 11 | SEC. 2. PURPOSE. |
| 12 | Section 103 of the Water Resources Research Act of |
| 13 | 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10302) is amended— |
| 14 | (1) by striking "and" at the end of paragraph |
| 15 | (5); |
| 16 | (2) by striking the period at the end of para- |
| 17 | graph (6) and inserting "; and; and |
| 18 | (3) by adding at the end the following: |
| 19 | "(7) encourage long-term planning and research |
| 20 | to meet future water management, quality, and sup- |
| 21 | ply challenges.''. |
| 22 | SEC. 3. GRANTS; MATCHING FUNDS. |
| 23 | Section 104(c) of the Water Resources Research Act |
| 24 | of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10303(c)) is amended by striking "one |
| 25 | non-Federal dollar" and all that follows through "there- |

- 1 after" and inserting "two non-Federal dollars for every
- 2 Federal dollar".
- 3 SEC. 4. GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS.
- 4 Section 104(f)(1) of the Water Resources Research
- 5 Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10303(f)(1)) is amended by strik-
- 6 ing "of \$10,000,000 for each of the fiscal years ending
- 7 September 30, 1989, through September 30, 1995," and
- 8 inserting "of \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1996, \$7,000,000
- 9 for fiscal years 1997 and 1998, and \$9,000,000 for fiscal
- 10 years 1999 and 2000".
- 11 SEC. 5. APPROPRIATIONS FOR RESEARCH FOCUSED ON
- 12 WATER PROBLEMS OF INTERSTATE NATURE.
- Section 104(g)(1) of the Water Resources Research
- 14 Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10303(g)(1)) is amended by strik-
- 15 ing "the sum of \$5,000,000 for each of the fiscal years
- 16 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995" and inserting "such
- 17 sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 1996, 1997,
- 18 1998, 1999, and 2000''.
- 19 SEC. 6. COORDINATION.
- 20 Section 104 of the Water Resources Research Act of
- 21 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10303) is amended by adding at the end
- 22 the following:
- 23 "(h)(1) To carry out provisions of this Act, the Sec-
- 24 retary—

- "(A) shall encourage other Federal departments, agencies (including agencies within the Department of the Interior), and instrumentalities to use and take advantage of the expertise and capabilities which are available through the institutes established by this section, on a cooperative or other basis;

 "(B) shall encourage cooperation and coordinations."
 - "(B) shall encourage cooperation and coordination with other Federal programs concerned with water resources problems and issues;
 - "(C) may enter into contracts, cooperative agreements, and other transactions without regard to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes (41 U.S.C. 5);
 - "(D) may accept funds from other Federal departments, agencies (including agencies within the Department of the Interior), and instrumentalities to pay for and add to grants made, and contracts entered into, by the Secretary;
 - "(E) may promulgate such rules and regulations as he deems appropriate; and
 - "(F) may support a program of internships for qualified individuals at the undergraduate and graduate level to carry out the educational and training objectives of this Act.

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- 1 "(2) The Secretary shall report to Congress annually
- 2 on coordination efforts with other Federal departments,
- 3 agencies, and instrumentalities under paragraph (1).".

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